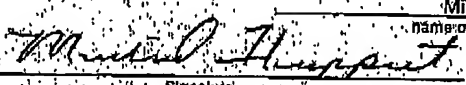


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Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of August 31, 2006.

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